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29 January 93

The Honorable Diane Feinstein United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Feinstein:

We, The Redding Area Miniature Aircraft Club, would like to call your attention to a proposed new rule by the Federal Communications Commission that we feel would be very harmful to our sport. This new rule, as outlined in NPRM-PR Docket 92-235 proposes to insert a number of new frequencies for Land Mobile use into the 72 Mhz band now assigned to model aviation. This is a major restructuring - the first of it's type in 60 years and would have a serious detrimental effect to the present model aviation use. They would in effect, be placing high wattage transmitters on frequencies so close to our assigned frequencies that the normal allowed operating tolerance of the 25 watt mobile radios would spill into the assigned frequency of the model aviation transmitter which is restricted by law to a power of less than one watt. Add this to the fact that the newly proposed use would involve mobile transmitters that could show up without warning literally anywhere, it would render those aviation frequencies too dangerous to use.

The sport of Model Aviation has one of the finest safety records in the world. We of course, want to keep it that way. The proposed random allocation to mobile transmitters could devastate that safety record. In many cases we would find ourselves with the unenviable choice of operating at great risk or simply shutting down the sport.

We realize that our sport is not the largest in the world but the number of our participants is certainly greater than that of say, professional football. A sport who's importance goes without saying. And, as members of the Academy of Model Aeronautics we are part of the world's largest Sport Aviation organization. Model aviation also eniovs the endorsements of many astronauts. several presidents and

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February 1, 1993

The Honorable Diane Feinstein 3 FEB -5 FN 6: 11 United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator,

I have been an active aeromodeler (radio control) for twelve years. This hobby is quite enjoyable and very rewarding. The radio control aspect is primarily a weekend group activity that provides many benefits to communities, through charitable functions, and has contributed significantly to the aeronautics industry. As you might guess, this hobby can be quite expensive as the majority of fliers have thousands of dollars invested in equipment.

I am writing to you to express my concern about proposed rule changes under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is **Docket 92-235**. This proposed change will reduce the usability of frequencies assigned for model use and increase the risk of interference. This will effect my ability to **safely operate** my model aircraft. An impaired model can seriously injure or even cause death.

The proposal calls for the a "close" placement of mobile land frequencies in a frequency band allocated for model use. The net result is that of the current 50 modeling frequencies only app. 20 will remain. The modeling community has taken extreme steps to increase safety margins. This proposal would be a great setback!

Please help to continue the safe operation of model aircraft by not allowing the FCC to carry out it's proposal.

Sincerely,

James Scott Miller

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Jan. 28, 1993

The Honorable D. Feinstien United States Senate Washington, DC. 20510

Dear Madam:

I am concerned about a possible FCC action, PR Dockett 92-235. This is another attempt by commercial interests to encroach on a very popular recreational use of radio, namely R.C. vehicles. I own three expensive carefully built model aircraft which could be turned into-careening missiles, assuring their own destruction and threatening limb and property.

They may be loosely called toys, but 35 pound objects going 60 MPH are to be considered seriously. Not to imply the sport is dangerous because most flyers are consciensous and keep their equipment well maintained and FCC compliant.

The concern is that big money interests will prevent many from enjoying this popular hobby. But also putting these communication bands too close will cause interference and loss of control. We can be assured that a mobile radio is not going to be as carefully maintained as those who are using it to fly some prized model.

Your attention is appreciated.

John E. Sweet

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein 331 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510 January 21,1993

Subject: FCC NFRM Pr Docket 92-235

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It is for the reasons I have stated that the proposals in FCC. NPRM PR Docket 92-235 to add frequencies between model and commercial frequencies not be adopted.

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The Honorable Dianne Feinstein Senate Office Building Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Senator Feinstein:

PR Docket 92-235

I am retired and derive many hours of enjoyment from constructing and operating radio controlled model airplanes. I am very concerned about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes

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Now the FCC wants to create more land mobile frequencies by splitting them into narrower bandwidths and rearranging the band plan. As a result, many land mobile frequencies will move closer to the radio control frequencies and cause interference to radio control operations. I am told that of the 50 frequencies that are presently available for radio control of model airplanes, only 19 frequencies will be left if these new rules are adopted.

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We need the use of our full complement of radio frequencies in order to assure a safe flying environment.

I do not think it is wise of the FCC to seek to improve the operating condition of land mobile radio users at the expense of radio control modelers. Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz band.

Sincerely,

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Oroville, Ca. 95966

The honorable Diane Feinstein United States Senate Washington D.C. 20510

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Dear Senator Feinstein:

THIS Letter is in regards to the proceeding, PR Docket 92-235.

I AM AN ADULT MALE Who has been active in model Avaitor

For over 30 years. I Began my Nobby by flying Confectine model

Airplanes, However over the LAST Soveril years flying Sites

for Confectine models have disappeared - I remember flying

my models in the Polo fields, in Goldon Gate park. When we

LOST THAT place to fly "Too Crowded", we Flew our models in

Crocker Amazon Park (we had a fortion of this park dedicated to

model airplanes by mayor George Christopher in the Early 1960s)

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Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz band.

Sincerely.

Larry Statter

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THE HONORABLE DIANE FEINSTINE SENATE OFFICE BUILDING WASHINGTON D.C. 20510

DEAR SENATOR FEINSTINE:

I am a shippard worker at MARE ISLAND NAVEL SHIPPARD, VALLEJO CALIF, and for years now I have been building and flying remote control model airplanes as a hobby.

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Ralph T. Lindeman 7 Fairview Ave. Vallejo Ca. 94590

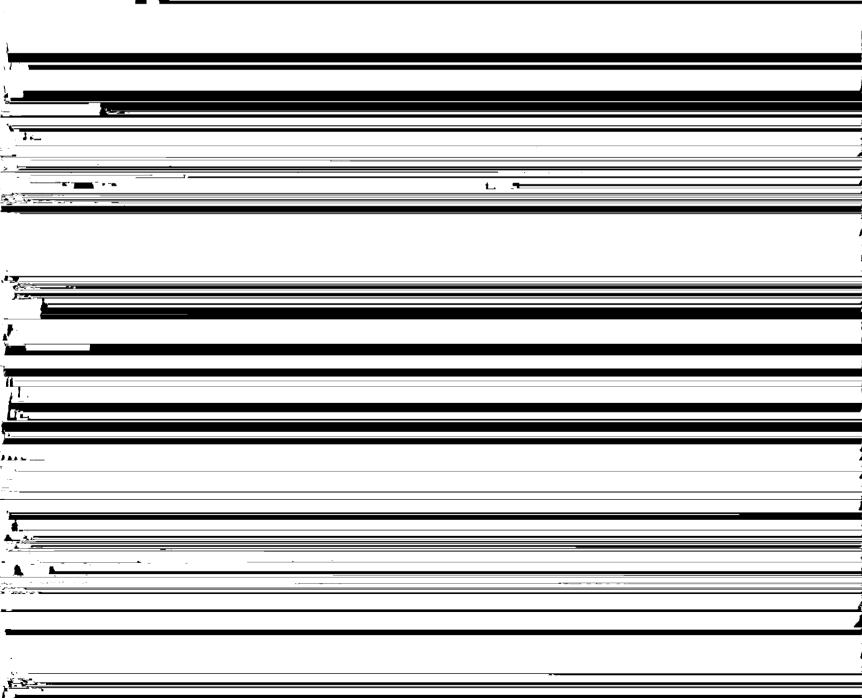
January 31, 1993

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein Dirksen Building, Room 368 93 FID -5 11 9:31 Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Feinstein:

I have been interested in aviation for as long as I can remember. I am very active in a local club whose members enjoy constructing and operating radio controlled airplanes.

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Gary R. Lessard 1800 Topanga Cym #221 Cancoa Park, CA 91304 THE HONORABLE

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DEAR SENATOR!

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I AM WRITING TO ADDRESS THE PROPOSED RULE MAKING WHICH INSERTS TWO NEW FREQUENCIES BETWEEN THOSE PRESENTLY ASSIGNED FOR MODELING USE AND COMMERCIAL USERS.

IF IMPLEMENTED, THIS WOULD ALLOW
A LEGAL FREQUENCY TO BE PLACED DIRECTLY
UPON OURS AND CREATE INTERFERENCE
WHICH WOULD DECREASE SAFETY AND
CREATE LIABILITY FOR USERS

I AM SEMI-RETIRED AND DERIVE MUCH PLEASURE FROM BUILDING AND OPERATING RADIO CONTROLLED MODELS. I HAVE OVER \$1000 INVESTED (NUST STARTED) IN MY HOBBY.

PLEASE DO NOT ALLOW THIS RULE

(NPRM-PR DOCKET 92-235) TO BE

IMPLEMUTED!

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Harold & Norma Elisworth 1009 Redondo Way Hemet, CA 92543

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein 331 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510 January 21,1993; 9: 33

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Date:

The Honorable Diane Feinstein U. S. Senate Office Bldg. Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Feinstein.

I am very active in a local club whose members enjoy constructing and operating radiocontrolled model airplanes. I personally own ______ radios, _____ R/C models and have a workshop full of other products necessary to operating my models.

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4208 Limestone Drive Antioch, CA 94509

February 1, 1993

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The Honorable Diane Feinstein United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Feinstein:

I am writing you regarding the FCC's Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM-PR Docket 92-235). I am the president of The Bay Area Radio Control Society, a club of about 150 members who build and fly radio controlled aircraft.

Our radio control frequencies are in the 72-76 MHZ band. This band is shared with us by the land mobile dispatch operations. However, our frequencies in this band are far enough apart from the land mobile frequencies that we do not interfere with each other.

Now the FCC wants to create more land mobile frequencies and these new frequencies would be so close to ours that they would cause interferences. I am told that of the 50 frequencies that are presently available for radio control of model airplanes, only 19 frequencies will be left if these new rules are adopted, and with 150 members in our club and over 180,000 RC flyers nationwide, this would cause a great safety hazard.

When we fly our model aircraft, we go to great lengths and expense to assure the safety of pilots and bystanders as well as the protection of property. The most important safety precaution is the careful coordination of the radio control frequencies. If the number of frequencies is diminished, the remaining frequencies will become congested and the margin of safety will be greatly decreased.

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I personally own three radios worth about \$800 that would be rendered useless if this new frequency assignment is adopted. Most of our membership is in a similar situation.

On behalf of the 150 members of the B.A.R.C.S. club I urge you to help stop the FCC from following through with PR-Docket 92-235.

Sincerely, Richard P. Ward

Richard P Wood

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Date:

The Honorable Diane Feinstein U. S. Senator 909 Montgomery Ave., Suite 202 San Francisco, CA 94133

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Date: January 20, 1993

The Honorable Diane Feinstein (STE) -5 (STE) -5 (STE) -5 (STE) -5 909 Montgomery, Suite 204 San Francisco, CA. 94133

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Dear Senator Feinstein:

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January 29, 1993 1383 FEB -5 PN 1: 27

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein United States Senator Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Feinstein:

This letter is regarding FCC ISSUANCE OF NPRM - PR DOCKET 92-235. I wish to bring this issue to your attention and ask for your help.

Many thousands of us use radio control modeling as an enjoyable sport and hobby, many manufacturers (both of radios and those of related supplies) make a tax-paying living supporting this activity and more importantly, there is a **SAFETY ISSUE** which must be addressed.

NPRM - PR DOCKET 92-235 proposes to give license to two new frequencies BETWEEN each of our frequencies (through Part 88 of the Code of Federal Regulations).

The Academy of Model Aeronautics has worked closely with the FCC in establishing model aircraft radio frequencies (now 50 in number), spacing them so as to allow as many as possible for our use, and at the same time, MAINTAINING SAFETY.

The proposed new frequencies will be designated as "mobile" so that none of us will know when and where it is safe to fly our models. When the radio signal to an airplane is subjected to interference from another "too close" signal, the result is an uncontrolled crash!

Present radio technology was developed to allow the narrow spacing that we now use; but will not be able to cope with the proposed NARROWER spacing.

I ask for you to please look into this matter and assist all of us model builders and flyers in our effort to stop this DANGEROUS INTRUSION.

Sincerely,

H. R. Stetta

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BUILDING & FLYING RADIO CONTROLLED MODEZS.

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ASSIGNMENT IS ADOPTED

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with my father at age 12. I hope my Son and Two daughters
will en Joy this Hobby with me when they are a little older. It is
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a Great way To Keep our family dose and Keep the Kids out of
Trouble. We need To Give our Hobby's and Pastimes in this
Country Just as high of a priority as business concerns
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Safety with little risk of Crashing from radio interference.
I am Told that if the proposed change goes thru, only
19 of our current 50 frequencies will be usable.